



Fundamental Aeronautics Program

Supersonics Project

Airport Noise Overview

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Technical Challenge: Airport Noise

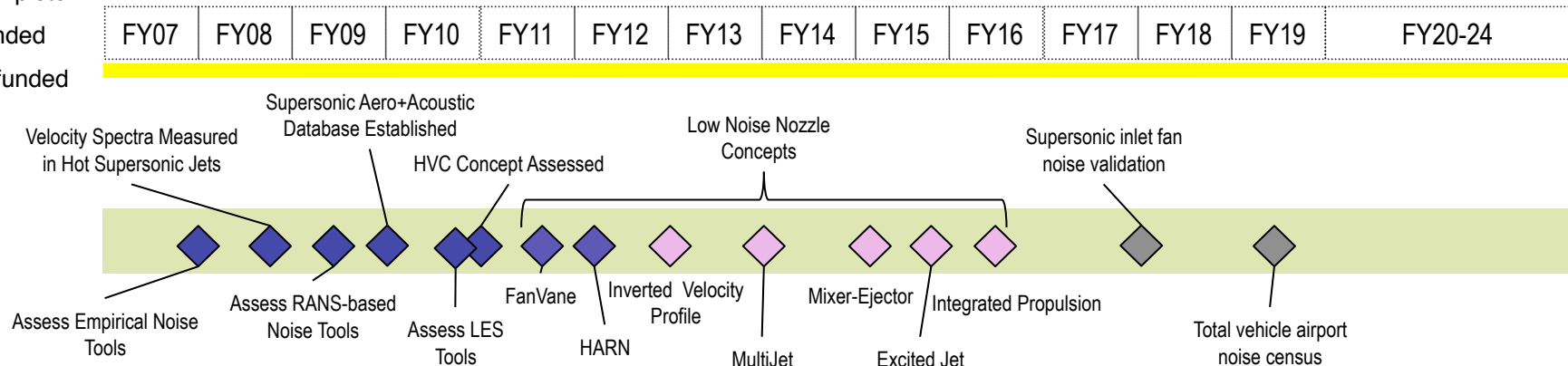


- What are we trying to do?
 - Allow supersonic aircraft to be acoustically acceptable around airports.
 - Develop low noise concepts and the ability to engineer them on supersonic aircraft.
- What is our approach?
 - Develop and use physics-based codes more and experiments less.
 - Couple both code and concept development to delivery of systems-level noise prediction modules
- What are the payoffs if successful?
 - Documented noise reduction technologies with ability to trade design parameters against other design goals.
 - Detailed, physics-based jet noise prediction tools applicable to the design of all aircraft classes.

Measuring Progress: Airport Noise Technical Challenge



- ◆ Complete
- ◆ Funded
- ◆ Unfunded



What are the intermediate and final exams to check for success?

- Suite of noise prediction codes at multiple fidelities, validated in component tests.
- Refinement of key low-noise concepts, captured in system-level prediction tools.
- Suite of tools used in multi-objective optimization exercise.

Recent Progress Toward Meeting Technical Challenge

- Tool Development
 - Completed Greens function code for HARN jets.
 - Validated unstructured CFD (RANS & LES) for prediction of nozzle plumes.
- Concept Development
 - Assessed three-stream mixer-ejector variable cycle nozzle concept
 - Assessed inverted velocity profile and fluid shield concept
 - Assessed scalability of plasma actuation for jet turbulence control.
 - Designed low-noise high-aspect ratio nozzles.

NASA External Collaborations



Recently Completed NRA

- **Prediction and modeling of supersonic jet noise using large-eddy simulation**, Stanford U., U. Illinois Urbana-Champaign, Sanjiva Lele, PI
- **Supersonic Jet Noise Suppression Using Plasma Actuators: Coupled Experiments, LES and Adjoint-based Optimization**, Ohio State U., U. Illinois Urbana-Champaign, Mo Samimy, PI

Ongoing NRA

- **N+2 System Validation**, Lockheed-Martin, Rolls-Royce LibertyWorks, GE Global Research, John Morgenstern, PI

Other Government Agencies

- **Air Force/Navy/NASA Cooperation on SBIR/STTR** for Jet Noise Research topics
- **Navy/NASA Research Opportunity**: joint funding of 8 awards in jet noise experiments, LES development, and noise reduction

Airport Noise Tech Challenge at a Glance



Concepts	Tools			
	Experimental	Empirical	RANS-based	LES
•Offset stream				
•Inverted velocity profile				
•High aspect ratio nozzles				
•Multiple Jets				
•Mixer-ejector				
•Jet Excitation				
•Integrated Propulsion				

Tool Development Scale

Needs Development

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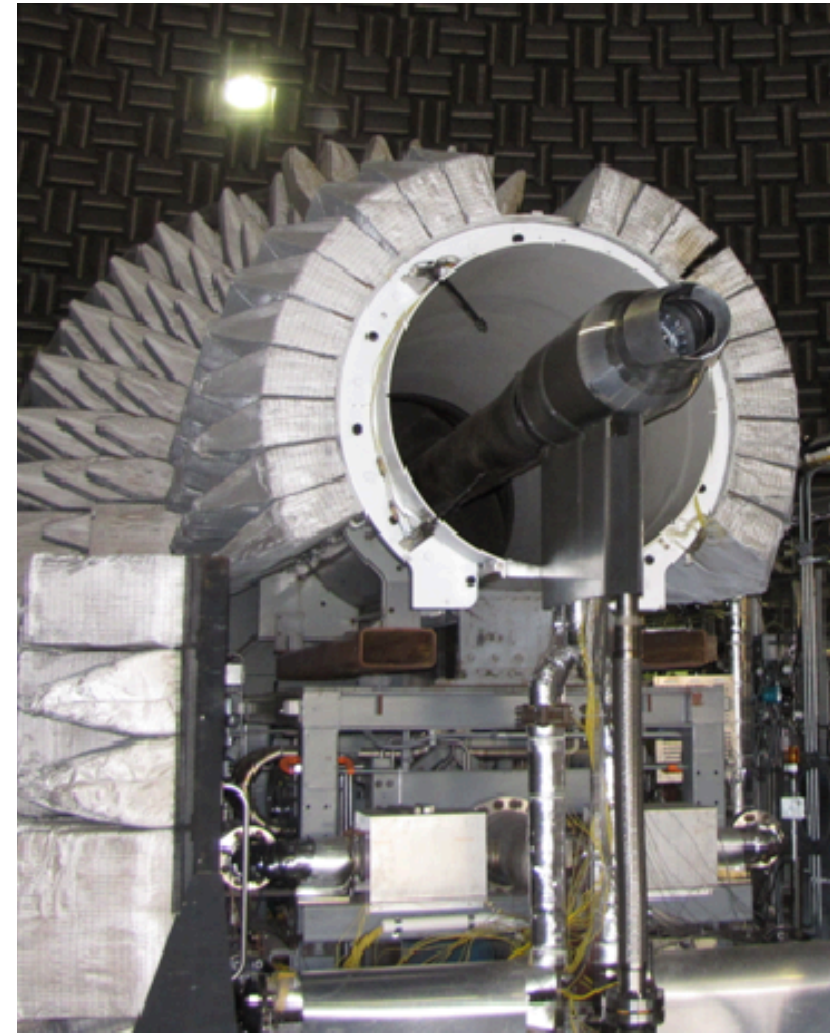
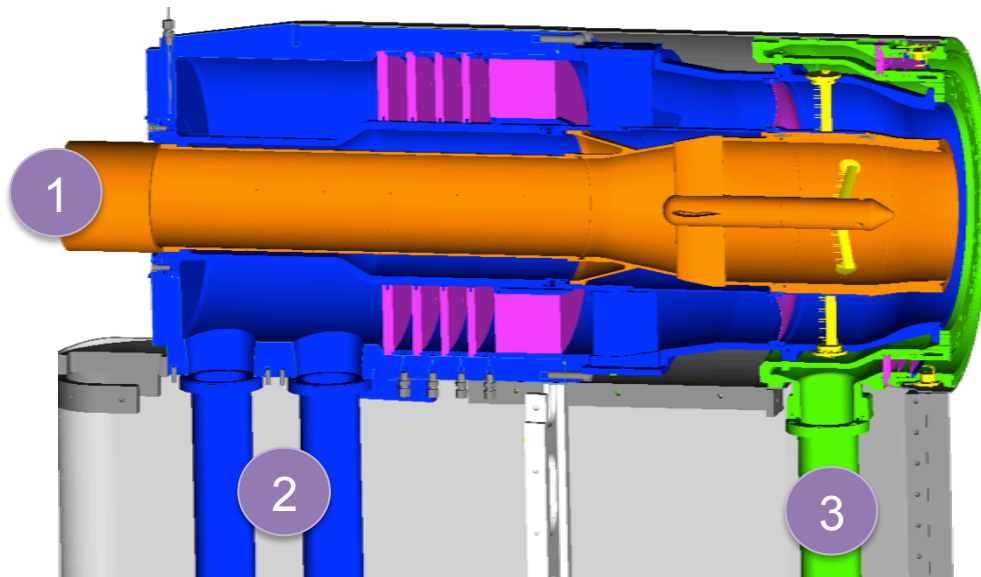
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N+2 System Validation Nozzle Test—NASA

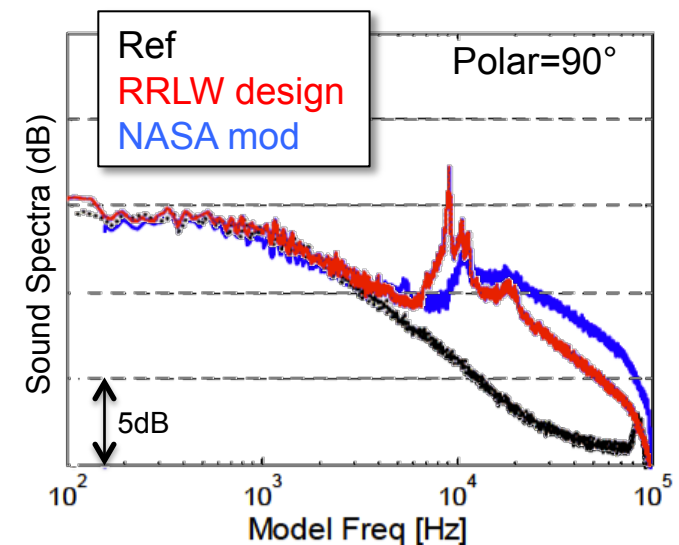
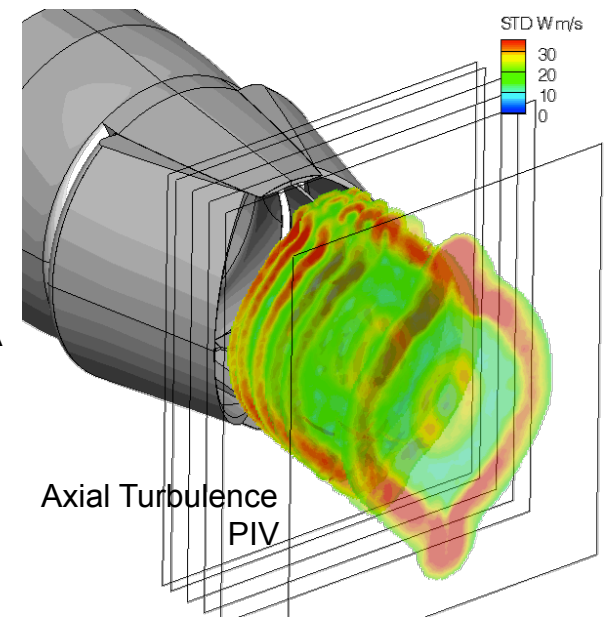


- N+2 Low Noise Nozzle concepts use three-stream engine architecture to achieve highly variable cycles
- Test rig required second fan stream to test concepts for noise
- NASA GRC High Flow Jet Exit Rig modified to provide **quiet** third stream coannular to existing Rig in same outer envelope.



N+2 System Validation Nozzle Test—LM/RR-LW

- Three-Stream Mixer-Ejector
 - Lockheed Martin/RR-LibertyWorks contract
 - Model hardware designed and built by RR-LW
 - Three-stream engine test rig provided by NASA
 - Acoustic and flow diagnostic testing performed at NASA
 - Nozzle tested in complicated subsonic ejector mode
- Objective
 - Validate low-noise operation of highly variable nozzle
 - Validate acoustic design tools
- Outcome
 - External jet noise satisfy noise requirements
 - Internal resonances spoil total success
 - Steady RANS CFD did not foreshadow resonances
 - Shows importance of unsteady flow design tools, unstructured grid methods

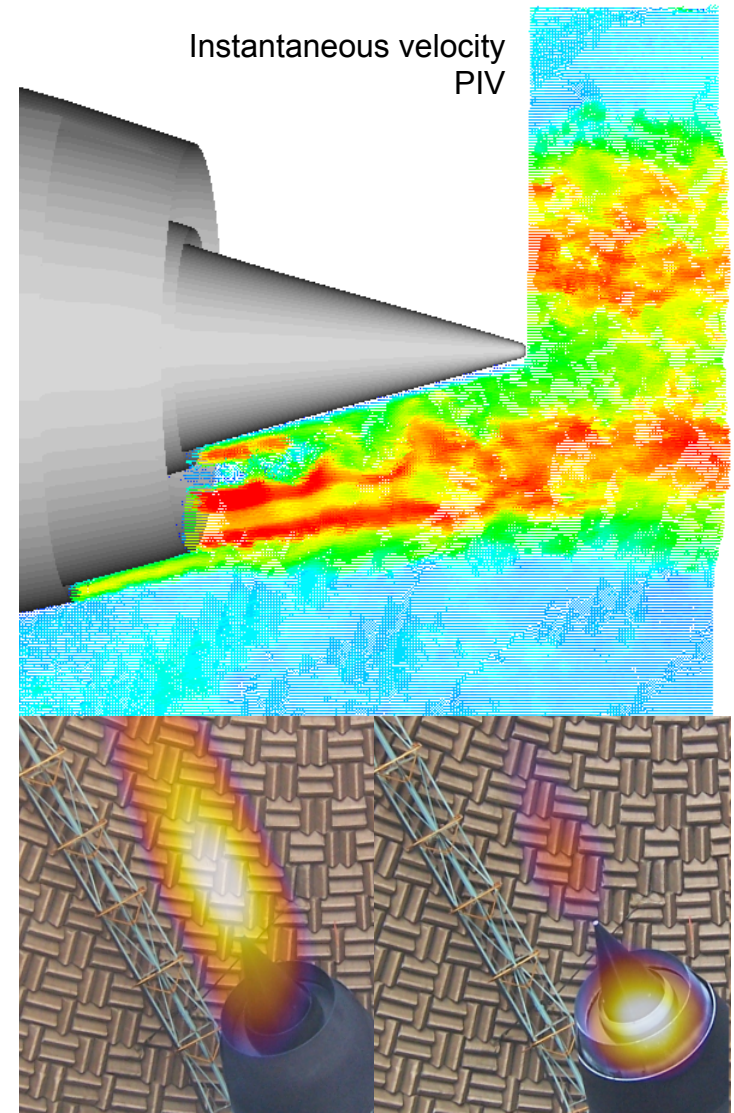


2:00 Thursday—Dr. Jack Sokhey, RR-LW

N+2 System Validation Nozzle Test—LM/GE



- Inverted Velocity Profile w/Fluid Shield
 - Lockheed/GE Global Research contract
 - Model hardware designed and built by GE GR
 - Acoustic and flow diagnostic testing performed at NASA
 - Hot stream inversion in GE model hardware.
- Objective
 - Validate low-noise operation of nozzle with variable cycle conditions, shield orientations
 - Validate acoustic design tools
- Outcome
 - IVP and fluid shield benefit demonstrated when nozzle operating properly expanded.
 - Over-aggressive divergence removed benefit at low-speeds.
 - Steady RANS CFD did not predict divergence issue.
 - Shows need for prediction of noise from separations.



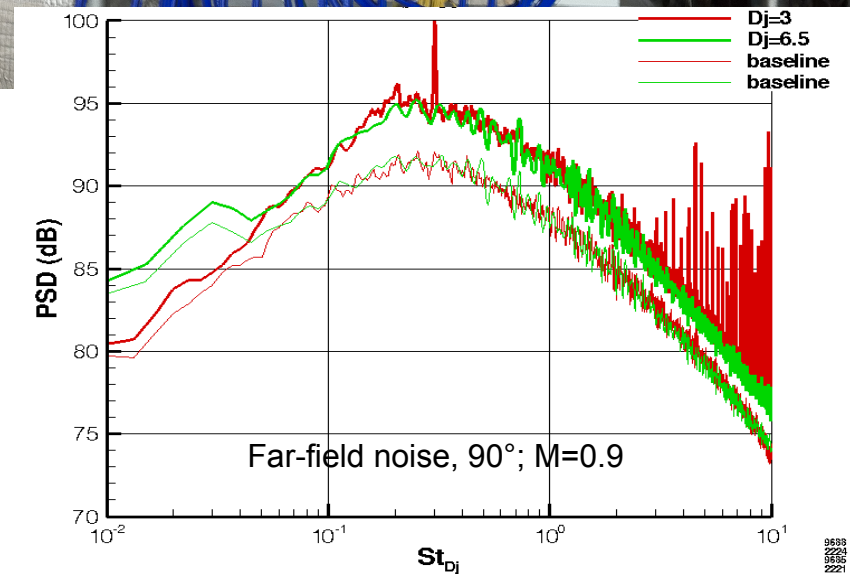
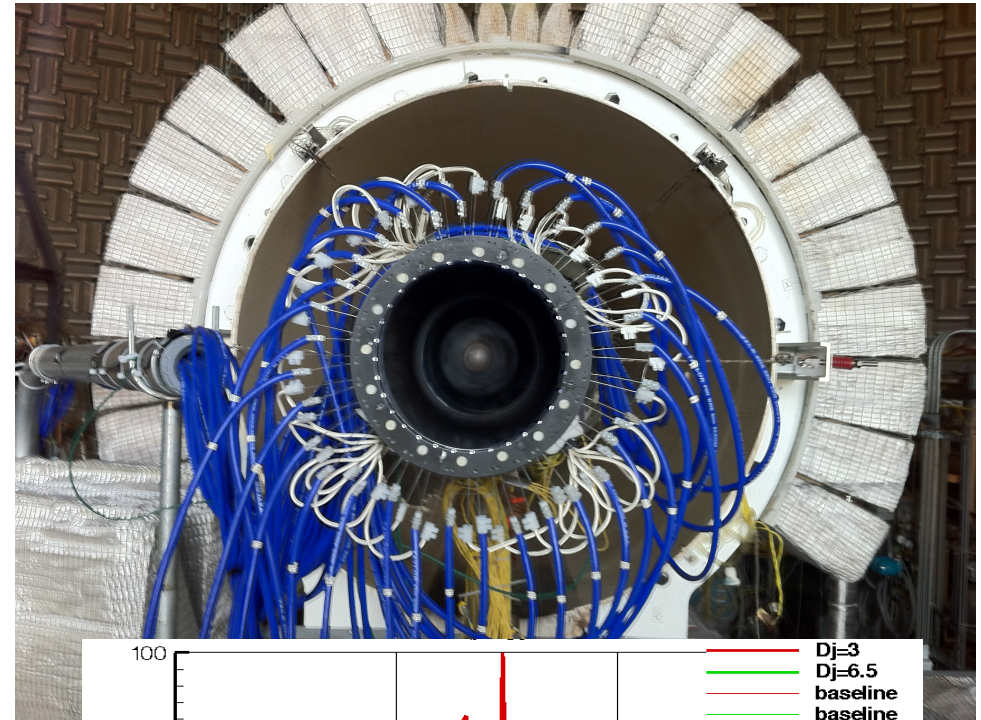
Phased Array Source Distribution

2:30 Thursday—Dr. Steve Martens, GE

Plasma Actuator for Jet Turbulence Control



- Jet Turbulence Control
 - Control jet turbulence via instabilities
 - NASA/OSU collaboration to develop high-authority actuators for jets
 - LES simulations and adjoint optimization methods to find control strategies for minimum noise
- Objective
 - Replicate jet control in university lab
 - Demonstrate scaling of actuator authority with nozzle size
- Outcome
 - Small-scale results replicated
 - Jet response scales **linearly** with actuator energy over 6:1 range
 - Require more work on optimization strategies for reduction

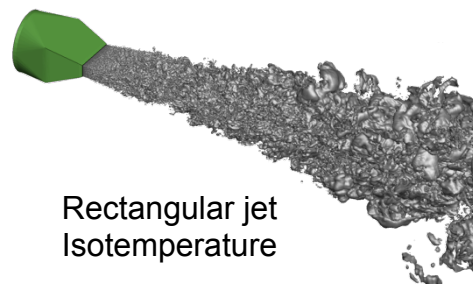
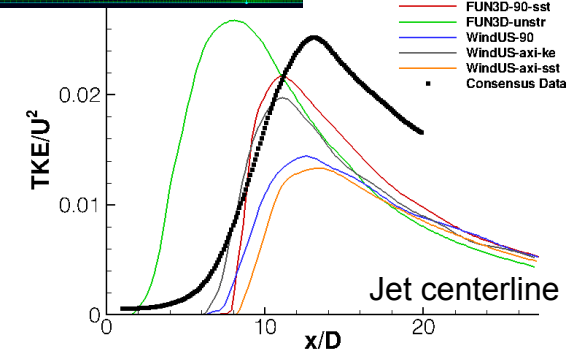
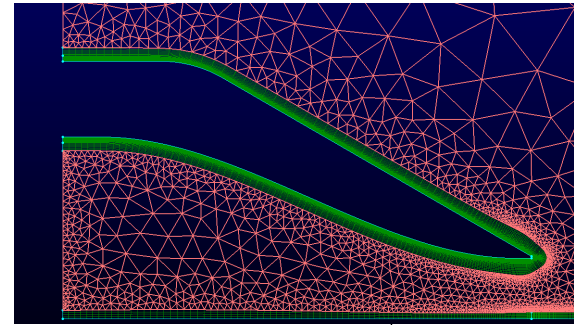


3:00 Thursday—Dr. Cliff Brown, NASA GRC

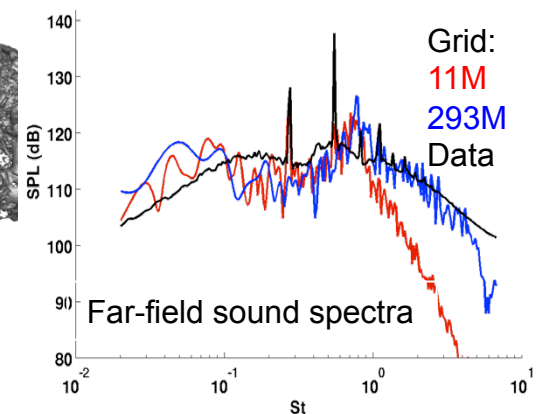
Validation of Unstructured CFD—RANS & LES



- CFD critical to design of realistic exhaust systems
 - Accurate TKE in plume for noise
 - Accurate separation prediction
 - Non-dissipative LES schemes
- Objective
 - Validate total CFD approach—grid, solver, turbulence models—for several codes
 - Adopt best practices to obtain “good enough” solutions
- Outcome
 - New Wind-US unstructured code validated and documented
 - Low-order LES demonstrated and limitations explored



Rectangular jet
Isotemperature
(CharLES code)



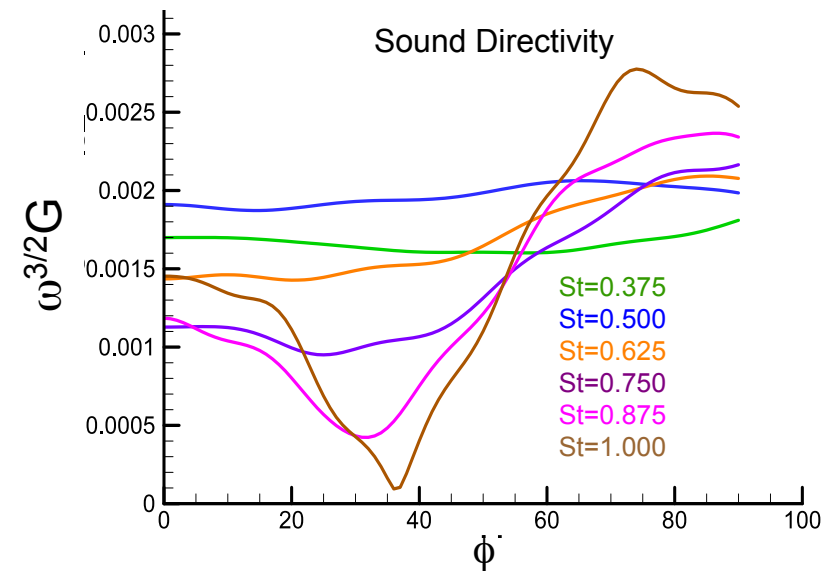
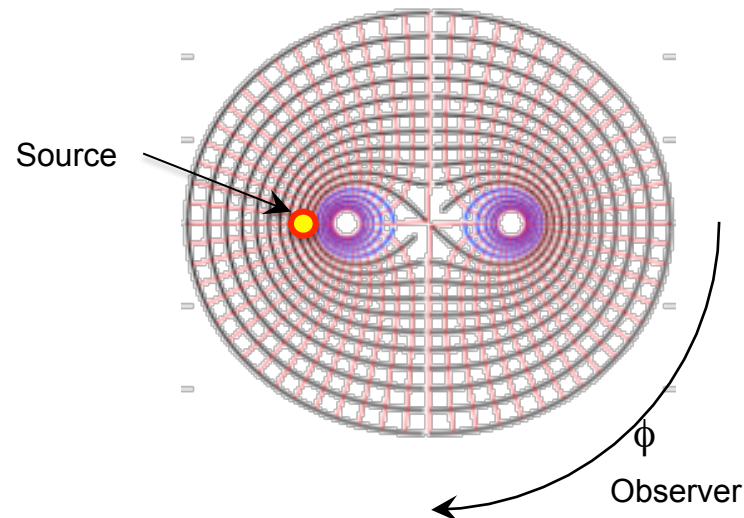
Nonaxisymmetric Greens Functions



- CFD-based noise prediction
 - Requires Greens function to couple turbulent source to far-field observer
 - Important to capture beneficial noise refraction
- Objective
 - Create and validate analytic approximations for twin jets, fluid shield, etc.
- Outcome
 - Initial results encouraging, illustrative
 - Validation in process



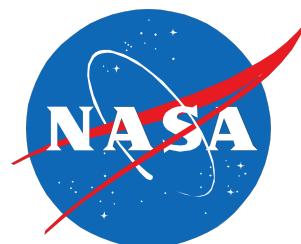
Twin Jet Test Rig, AAPL



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